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IN JAKARTA

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1. DR. NAIM KHADAR, HEAD OF PLO BRUSSELS OFFICE AND
PLO REPRESENTATIVE TO JAKARTA MEETING OF GROUP OF 77

ASIAN CAUCUS ANNOUNCED AT PRESS CONFERENCE JANUARY 22
THAT HE EXPECTED PLO OFFICE IN JAKARTA TO BE OPENED IN
"ONE OR TWO MONTHS TIME." KHADAR SAID ONLY "TECHNICAL
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QUESTIONS" REMAINED TO BE RESOLVED. PRESS CONFERENCE

FOLLOWED MEETING WITH FONMIN MALIK AT WHICH ACCORDING TO
KHADAR MALK SAID GOI AGREED TO OPENING OF OFFICE. PRESS
CARRIES NO COMMENT FROM MALIK AS YET ON PLO ANNOUNCEMENT.

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2. COMMENT: IN KEEPING WITH PAST STATEMENTS AND KNOWN
GOI RELUCTANCE (ON SECURITY GROUNDS) TO ALLOW OPENING OF
PLO OFFICE, EVENTUAL MALIK REMARKS ON SUBJECT LIKELY TO
ECHO "TECHNICAL QUESTIONS" THEME AND TO BE CONSIDERABLY
MORE VAGUE THAN KHADAR ON SUBJECT OF TIMING. KHADAR
STATEMENT ON TIME-FRAME MAY WELL BE UNILATERAL DECLARATION
DESIGNED TO BRING FURTHER PRESSURE ON GOI TO MAKE GOOD
ON PREVIOUS EXPRESSIONS OF SUPPORT IN PRINCIPLE FOR
OFFICE OPENING. FONOFF MIDEAST DIRECTORATE OFFICIAL TOLD
EMBOFF GOI COMING UNDER CONSTANT AND INCREASINGLY STRONG
QUESTIONING FROM ARAB REPRESENTATIVES AT INTERNATIONAL
GATHERINGS AS TO REAL GOI INTENTIONS ON THIS SUBJECT.

3. RELATED DEVELOPMENT ILLUSTRATING BOTH DOMESTIC AND
INTERNATIONAL PRESSURES ON GOI RE PLO OFFICE QUESTION
CAME AT RECENT (JAN. 12-16) JAKARTA SEMINAR ON INDONESIAN-
MIDEAST RELATIONS SPONSORED BY LOCAL MOSLEM FOUNDATION.
BOTH VISITING ARAB REPRESENTATIVES (MOST PROMINENTLY
SYRIA AND IRAQ) AND PORTION OF INDONESIAN DELEGATION
PRESSED FOR RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PLO OFFICE, WHICH
OFFICIAL GOI DELEGATES AND SPONSORING COMMITTEE REFUSED
TO ALLOW WITHOUT HEDGING LANGUAGE ON SUBJECT OF
PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS. ULTIMATE RESULT WAS NO PASSAGE OF
ANY RESOLUTIONS AT END OF CONFERENCE AND VERY WEAK
UNILATERAL STATEMENT BY VISITING DELEGATIONS ON INDONESIAN
TIMOR POLICY (SUPPORT FOR WHICH HAD BEEN
PLANNED TRADEOFF
FOR INDONESIAN SUPPORT ON PLO OFFICE).
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